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In re Application of:

Uzi LEV-AMI et al.

Application No. 09/847,937

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Title: Method for Two Phase Structured

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Examiner: Jeffrey R. SWEARINGEN

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## STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF NTERVIEW

Sir:

Applicants requested and were granted an in-person interview with Examiner Jeffrey Swearingen, which took place on Thursday, 6 October 2005, at 9:00 a.m. EDT. We met in comfortable chairs with Primary Examiner Beatriz Prieto. This document summarizes the interview.

Prior to the interview, we submitted a proposed agenda, the substance of which is reproduced below:

"The spirit of this interview is to advance the case towards allowance. In a prior telephone interview, the Examiner indicated that he did not have any authority to negotiate amendments to claims. He suggested that we consider a three-way interview at sometime in the future.

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We responded to an office action with the paper submitted by fax on August 11, 2005. We pointed out that the references used by the Examiner not very close at all to the claims.

Issues for the interview include:

- 1. How the Examiner would express the commonly understood phrase "standard compliant" (see response, page 9).
- 2. Whether changing the wording of claim 17 from "applying business logic" to some variation on "business application", which is a phrase used in the Kino reference, would overcome the section 112 rejection.
- 3. Discuss the application of the Kino reference, which applicants do not consider to be very close at all to the claims.
- 4. Discuss the showing that the Examiner must provide to combine references (see response, page 16).

If the Examiner's review of the response office action has led to reliance on any of references not yet provided to applicants, we would appreciate hearing about those references in advance of the interview so that we can properly prepare."

During the interview, we largely followed the agenda. We began with a technology tutorial, walking through examples on pages 7-12 and 17-18 of the application.

Regarding the section 112 rejections, we asked for guidance from the Examiners regarding wording that they would find acceptable. We appreciate Examiner Steven's summary of interview that states that agreement was reached for the section 112 rejections to be withdrawn.

We discussed embodiment 11 of the Kino reference. Examiner Prieto asked which elements of the claims we considered to distinguish over Kino. We said all of them. We discussed claims 1, 15 and 17.

We appreciate the Examiner's statement in the interview summary that agreement was reached "that Kino fails to meet the limitations of the claimed invention."

Thanks to both of the Examiners for their time and attention to this technology. We hope to receive a notice of allowance in the near future.

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